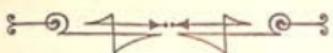


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## TRYING TO OUTWIT OMNIPOTENCE.

Everytime Mr. Roosevelt leaves the White House, from two to four “secret-service men” (detectives) follow him. On foot, if he goes afoot; on bicycles, if he rides. These insane idiots annoy him, but the Treasury pays them “to protect him.” If they should see a man fire a pistol from a window at the President, they would do what? Jump between the bullet and him? Arrest the one who fired the pistol? But how do they protect the President?

Wise men are said to learn by experience—fools never. These same detectives followed McKinley to California, to Canton, to Buffalo, to the Exposition. And does all the world know, as it should, that those three detectives stood right beside McKinley when he was shot. They all three saw the assassin approaching. After the shots, one of the detectives says he “just smacked Czolgosz right in the face.” Well, that detective must have read Jack Falstaff till he could play Jack’s part to perfection. The detectives “protected,” did they? No, they drew fat salaries and carried pistols in their pockets. What a farce and humbug.

Those detectives, good Christians, live in "mortal mind" and while they may have read or heard it said that all men have souls, they apparently do not know the first syllable about psychic or soul powers. There are people who could have stood beside McKinley and, as they say, could "sense" the approach of assassination. These people, women oftener than men, could have then "protected" McKinley had he also possessed ability to heed such warning. Julius Cæsar was fully warned the day before his assassination and could not heed the warning. McKinley had been often warned.

Many a man, before leaving his breakfast table, has been warned by his mate (wives are not often mates) that death or accident awaited him unless he changed his plans. Some have listened; others, not; and the predictions have often proved true. Did space permit, we could here relate a score of cases. A true, pure, mate will always be able to warn the man.

Man himself, if he "lives the life," and develops soul in place of mind, will become so sensitive as to feel the approach of danger. In volumes I and II of O. T. are a number of cases reported. A man in proper soul condition can foresee future events and never be surprised. Such a man can never be assassinated nor permit the one who trusts him to be. Major Sylvester, the chief of our police, told me that it frequently occurs after he goes home and gets quiet, that a feeling comes over him that a murder is to be committed. Though he telephones for extra precautions, his premonitions usually prove true. Had he stood beside the President, McKinley could have been protected; but, these soul-less detectives merely "smack the fellow in his face" after he has done the business on a man who himself has no psychic sensitiveness.

Omnipotence rules. The President had to be shot and all details were arranged for it to occur. Had

not debauched with fear and anxiety and bargaining, but faithfully does what his hands find to do will receive unexpected "recompense." Every physician does a large amount of practice for which he says he gets no pay, but who ever knew such a doctor to lack for the needful? These men show ten times the "faith in the All-good," that our Christian-Science healers and Unscientific Christian preachers display.

There is a hidden law according to which the Unseen Forces take splendid care of all who refuse to care for themselves while giving themselves up to such work, secular or otherwise, as comes along. It is of extremest importance to our intuitional development that we know practically those hidden laws. If your food does not come out of the Unseen, you are not a skilled workman in what you are pretending to do. Then you better saw wood or wash dishes.

There is an element without which all palmistry, astrology, healing, and preaching will be worse than useless because deceptive and misleading. That element is intuition or The Voice Within. It imparts certain secrets which serve as keys to the mysteries concealed in these arts. Without the secrets, your work is so deceptive that though you "are doing all the good you can" you are making only mischief. With the secrets, your work will be so blessed that you never will be criticised or unrewarded. One of these secrets is the comprehension and certainty that there is no need of barter or of soliciting "free-gifts" like that poor faithless fellow in Ohio who prints a little sheet putting in the corner without fail a plea for "free-gifts." Another secret relates to the utter futility of trusting to ones money or fees. They fail and fade just when most trusted.

The friends above-quoted know only such palmistry, bible or creeds as they have learned from books and

teachers. One never gets correct conceptions that way. No one is fit to teach who has so learned. I spent 12 years in college, theological and other schools and memorized many books. I learned nothing for I knew nothing to be true. Later, all that and those methods had to be rejected. A fountain within has been opened from which comes only knowledge. I have no a priori respect for anything in the bible or other books. I trust what comes from within. If the bible corresponds, all right. If not, it's worse for the bible. But many things in the bible have been thus verified. Most of all, that seeking to save my life and comforts, is to lose them; and that whoever is not saturated with this philosophy enough to totally ignore money, knows not one shred that will awaken intuition, and will utterly fail in all attempts at astrology, palmistry and other religious knowledge. He will probably be dissatisfied with his whole life, go out to sleep 500 years and then reincarnate in order to try the task again.

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#### More About the Will.

Last month we quoted ten women who are among the leaders in so-called "Mental Science," in advocacy of asserting the will, strengthening the will, etc. But they are in "good company." The Theosophists agree with them on this point. The Christians are with them also by a little subterfuge. They say that they are to do God's will. They all know just what God's will is for he has obligingly written it out in a big book. They strenuously and determinedly (when living right) make God's will their will and strengthen their wills into doing what God has commanded in his Bible. So here you are, Theosophists, Mental Scientists and Christians all exercising and strengthening the will. What ever came of it? Tell us.

There can never be an exercise of will without pre-

ceding it with a choice between two or more possibilities. So, all these people are advocates of free-will. *i. e.*, they say that they are free to choose their actions can do this or that, can refuse or not as they (the Gods) desire. For do not forget that this freedom of choice makes Gods out of them. They can choose harmony with their God (*i. e.* the Great God) or they can choose against Him. This gross absurdity grows necessarily out of the idea of there being will. The big fellow who did rebel against God became Satan. Remember that if there is such a thing as free-will and choice, these results must be. And the Christians so believe. What say the Theosophists, however? The Christian has a Bible to direct him and to rescue him from all uncertainty. But Mr. Theosophist, tell us how you get on with no Bible?

As truly as will necessitates choice, so truly it implies and affirms good and evil, right and wrong, and all the distinctions of Dualism. So, Mr. Theosophist, you are a Dualist as truly as are the Christians. You are as deep in distinctions of good and evil as they are! It is an absolute corollary of your teaching about the will! You squirm, for you pretend to reject Christian Dualism.

This absurdity comes from your postulate of a "higher-self" which is an individual, an embryo of a personal God. The Theosophist denies A personal God and makes a personal god out of himself, which is his Higher-self. Then he clinches that claim by teaching will and teaching us to recognize and strengthen personal will.

Now, Theosophist, tell us how to exercise the will! Your Theos has not written a book. Indeed, he is not even a person. How do you know what is right and what is wrong? Got to steal that information from the Christian's Bible? Can you trust your higher-